AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [001] with the following amended paragraph:

[0001] This application claims the benefit of United States Provisional Patent Application Serial No. [ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 13768.421] 60/502,156 entitled "Multiple Offload Of Network State Objects With Support For Failover Events," filed September 10, 2003, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by this reference.